

HARVARD MEMORIAL SPLITS UP ALUMNI

Majority Who Express Opinions Favor One to Fighters for Allies.

MANY NONCOMMITTAL

Committee Has Not Passed on Proposition Nor Raised Any Funds.

Harvard men in New York were stirred by the letter written to *THE SUN* a few days ago by John Jay Chapman, one of their fellow alumni, in which he protested against the erection of a monument "to those of Harvard's sons who have fallen in the European war, whether they fell in the German ranks or with the Allies." Mr. Chapman declared that a memorial which "approves the invasion of Belgium" would be "an insult to God."

Alumni who spoke for publication sided with Mr. Chapman, but many declined to be quoted. Several at the Harvard Club last night said they believed the monument should be a memorial to men on one side or the other, but ridiculed the idea of combining the two causes in a single tribute. One man described the suggested monument as a divided skirt memorial.

All this comment was in spite of the fact that Edward S. Martin, editor of *LIFE*, who is on the committee which is considering the project, says no decision has been reached to erect any memorial. He is a member of the body of which President A. Lawrence Lowell is chairman, which Mr. Chapman believed when he wrote his letter "is now engaged in raising money."

Raising Only a Row.

"We are raising neither a monument nor money," said Mr. Martin. "What has been raised so far seems to be purely a row. The committee has never even met, so far as I know. It was appointed not to collect funds, but to determine the form which the suggested memorial should take. I cannot imagine any committee recommending any memorial which would be unacceptable to the parents, comrades and friends of the men."

"Nearly all the Harvard men who have died in the war fought on the side of the Allies. There was no opposition to the memorial suggestion until some one called attention to the fact that a young German who had been taking a post-graduate course was drafted into the German army when he went home on a visit and was killed in action. In my judgment it would be improper to raise the memorial to any men who fought from compulsion—Germans, French or British. It should be a tribute to Americans who fought of their own free will."

Francis H. Appleton, president of the Harvard Club, believed it would be improper for him to express any opinion on the controversy while the project is in the committee's hands. Joseph H. Choate, Police Commissioner Arthur Woods and Edward E. Pabst were among the other alumni who refused to speak for publication. Elihu Root, Jr., gave hearty endorsement to Mr. Chapman's position.

"I feel so strongly that the Allies are right and Germany is wrong that I would not subscribe to a monument to men who fought on the side of the Central Powers," he said, "even though I might admire them for their courage. I think it would be perfectly foolish to erect one monument to both sides. It would seem merely to memorialize men who engaged in war, and that may or may not be a worthy object. In part we would be memorializing men who engaged in a very reprehensible undertaking, the only worthy thing about which was that it was dangerous."

Winthrop Also Opposed.

Egerton L. Winthrop, Jr., took a similar stand. He said: "I entirely agree with what Mr. Chapman has said. I am very much opposed to such a monument and have protested against it."

This week's issue of the *Harvard Alumni Bulletin* contains letters from two other New Yorkers, J. De B. Storey took issue with those who oppose a tribute to German dead. He wrote in part:

"If it is desired to honor those of our fellow alumni who have taken up the cause of courage and devotion to principles or, if you will, emotions, why then I can see nothing inconsistent in erecting a monument to those who died fighting for either side."

"These dead are our dead. We are proud that they answered a call that was not obligatory. We are prouder still that the great majority fought on the side of enlightenment. We hesitate, however, to pass judgment on the minority, for their motives may have been as fine as those which governed the majority and their cause as great."

If it is desired to raise a memorial only to those who died in the allied cause Mr. Storey urged that "the object of the monument be such as will bring the idea out clearly. Let it be dedicated, for instance, to Belgium."

G. G. Zabrickie wrote in part: "Harvard must face one way or the other or else, as Mr. Chapman so well points out, the memorial will be a monument to zero."

Must Identify the Ideal.

The reference was to a letter from Mr. Chapman which appeared in an earlier number of the *Bulletin*. Mr. Zabrickie was also:

"We ought not to honor the Harvard men who have fallen in the war merely for their courage or their abstract devotion to some ideal or other when we can go further and identify that ideal. The men who fought for the Allies did so not merely to show their courage; they enlisted to fight in a cause which they saw so plainly that they could not resist its call."

Of nine writers in this number of the *Bulletin* seven sided with Mr. Chapman. D. Huser Bacon, Jr., of Philadelphia, one of the dissenters, said:

"My own sympathies are altogether with England and her allies. Nevertheless, it seems to me that the sacrifices involved in dying for what one deems just is the thing primarily deserving commendation."

BARGE CAPTAIN FOUND DYING.

Skull Fractured in His Cabin as Result of a Dispute.

Benjamin W. Stuhl, 63 years old, captain of a coal barge at the South Third street pier of the American Sugar Refining Company in Brooklyn, was found yesterday in his cabin apparently dying from a fracture of the skull and other injuries. At the Williamsburgh Hospital he was revived sufficiently to tell the police the captain of another boat had assaulted him with a captain's bar.

Stuhl said he was alone in his cabin in the early morning when the other man appeared and after starting a dispute had beaten him into insensibility.

OFFICERS BIG NEED OF NATIONAL GUARD

Army Expert Points to the Wretched Showing Due to Lack of Training.

PHYSICAL STANDARD LOW

Federal Pay of No Help as Long as Present Conditions Exist.

"The most glaring need of the National Guard of the United States, and New York is not excepted," said an officer of the army yesterday, "is the need of properly trained officers and non-commissioned officers. A military organization is what its officers make it, and when the National Guard as a whole is considered there is no use in hiding the fact that it falls lamentably short of being anything like a dependable force for war."

"When you have seen the National Guard of New York, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts and that of a few other States in the East you have seen the best there is of it," continued the officer, who cannot allow his name to be used. "The rest of it," he went on to say, "is a national guard in name only."

"Even the best portion of the National Guard, which is that in Gen. Wood's department, according to a recent report from the General on file at the War Department, has a very small number of effective organizations. If this is true of the best what must be the condition of the worst?"

"In addition to the lack of competent officers the conditions of physical requirements of recruits in the National Guard have been sidetracked. Lieut. B. F. Ristine, Infantry, U. S. A., on duty with the New Mexico National Guard, for one example among many reported, 'Rejections on account of physical disqualifications have been about 33 per cent. Roughly there have been about 1,000 officers and men accepted and 300 rejected. A rough estimate of the cost of the latter to the Government is about \$40 a man, an absolute waste of \$40,000 on one regiment of Infantry and one battery of field artillery.'

Standard Is Farcical.

"Capt. Albert B. Sloan, Infantry, U. S. A., on duty with the National Guard of Arkansas, in a report said: 'The examination of companies each day more and more fully demonstrates how farcical the standard of physical examination as established in this State has been.'

"Major Gen. Leonard Wood, U. S. A., commanding the Eastern Department, in a report recently made to the War Department as to the physical examinations of the National Guard said: 'Thirty per cent. of the number enlisted in the State service at the date of call of the President, June 15, 1916, were discharged because of physical disability. Such a proportion of ineffectives is amazing when it is considered that Delaware and North Carolina are the only States in the Union in which the State have not adopted the physical standard of the regular army for examinations for entry into the service.'

"As the examination proceeded the paramount idea seems to have been to simply supply men regardless of their physical qualifications or disqualifications. In many instances a strong effort has been made to bring about the mustering into the service of physically unfit men and to prevent the mustering out of the service of those who are physically unfitted for active duty."

"There are other indubitable examples of trying to get physically unfit men passed by the National Guard into the Federal service in order to swell small rolls that might be given, but the above are sufficient."

Poor Outlook for Future.

"Matters in the future are even going to be worse regarding recruiting in the National Guard, and it is very certain that it will be found necessary to have army medical officers examine the men enlisted, now that they are to receive pay by the Federal Government. Efforts will surely be made to fill ranks in some cases with the lame, halt and the blind in order to draw pay."

"Many officers on the border, even after five months of active service, did not seem to progress to any appreciable extent and showed a lack of efficiency in many important details. To be of any service the guard needs more trained army officers than the army at present can spare to instruct them. Some general officers were lacking in necessary experience, and but for assistance most of these received from regular officers while on the Mexican border, the situation would have been a worse one than it was."

"There should be an army officer of experience on duty as adjutant in every National Guard regiment in order to instruct the officers in keeping accounts and in preparing papers of the utmost importance, &c. In some States there should be a regular officer as adjutant general, and also as general officer, if any real progress is desired in the future. It will never come unless some such scheme is adopted."

"As the National Guard stands to-day it is of no use as a Federal force and Federal pay will not make it so, either. This is a pure waste of money and could be spent to better advantage. For simply State purposes, as a reserve police force, the guard can be useful, but not otherwise, and in the end this will surely be demonstrated. You cannot secure a sufficiently large number of trained officers in the National Guard on account of their limited time to train and study."

DOG SAVES A WOMAN'S LIFE.

Mistress Helpless 24 Hours Escapes Death by Freezing.

After lying paralyzed on the floor of her home in the cold for twenty-four hours Miss Mary Sherwood, 55 years old, of Patterson, N. Y., was saved by the continued barking of a dog from being frozen to death there yesterday. Her feet, it is feared, are both frozen.

Miss Sherwood suffered a stroke Friday morning shortly after getting her breakfast, she could not move or shout for help. The fire went out in the stove after several hours passed, and the woman was slowly freezing when James Glenn, going through the doorway, heard the dog barking and thrifty, barking and whining. The dog yelled so Glenn looked in the windows and saw Miss Sherwood lying as if dead on the floor. He summoned Dr. Burt, who found the woman paralyzed and left a nurse to care for her.

Designer Held as a Forger.

Clive Young, formerly a \$5,000 a year designer employed by Hickson, Inc., of 627 Fifth avenue, was brought back here from Pasadena, Cal., yesterday and locked in Police Headquarters on a charge of forging and cashing checks for \$4,000. He left here early in 1916.

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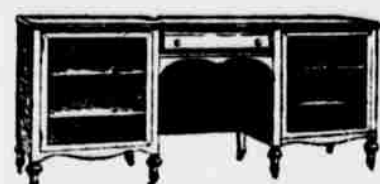
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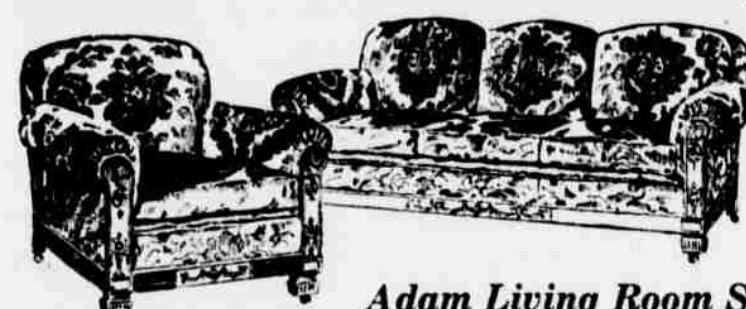


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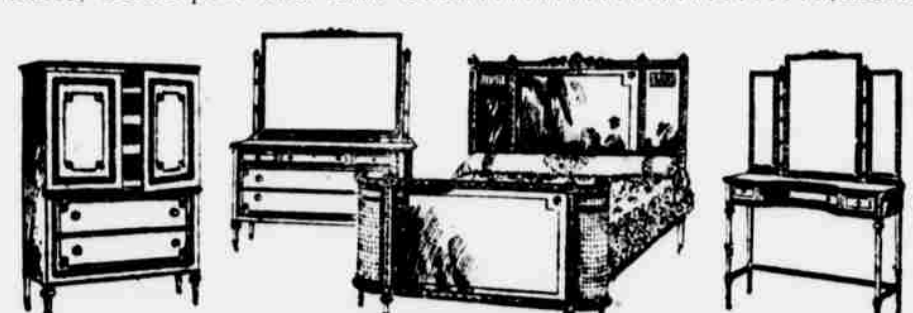
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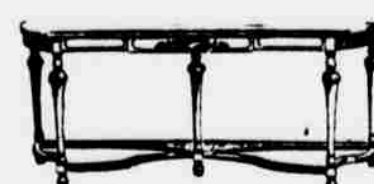


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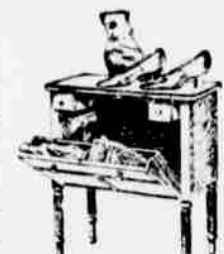
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